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Massachusetts
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Employment Increases for Fourth Consecutive Month

Since January nonagricultural employment has increased each month to reach a current level of 2,741,100. Ninety two thousand jobs have been added in the State since the beginning of the year. While part of this increase is seasonal in nature, the steady employment growth has been very encouraging.

May 1984 employment was 2.1 percent greater than that recorded in May 1983. Throughout 1984, employment levels have remained two to three percent higher than those for the corresponding months of 1983. This favorable performance should continue through the rest of the year.

Unemployment Rate Lowest in Fourteen Years

The Massachusetts seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May, 4.1 percent, was the lowest recorded rate since June 1970. The drop of 1.3 percent from April represented the largest over-the-month drop since August of 1982. Massachusetts once again had the lowest unemployment rate of the ten large industrial states, with Texas and New Jersey tied for second place with jobless rates of 5.7 percent.

State and Labor Area Average Weekly Hours and Earnings

The average workweek in the state manufacturing industries for May was 40.5 hours. Average weekly hours for the eight major labor market areas were as follows: Springfield-Chicopee-Holyoke 41.5; Boston 40.6; Lawrence-Haverhill 40.5; Worcester 40.2; Brockton 39.7; Lowell 39.0; New Bedford 38.7; and Fall River 37.0.

The average hourly earnings of manufacturing workers in Massachusetts was $8.46 in May. The highest hourly wage was paid in the Boston SMSA, $9.12. Average hourly earnings for the other major labor market areas were as follows: Worcester $8.51; Lawrence-Haverhill $8.47; Springfield-Chicopee-Holyoke $8.44; Lowell $7.83; New Bedford $7.50; Fall River $6.75; and Brockton $6.59.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

MAY 1984

PAGE	AREA	Employment (In 000's)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
		May 1984	April 1984	April 1983
3	MASSACHUSETTS	2741.1	2715.8	2684.9
4	Boston, SMSA	1540.3	1529.3	1507.4
8	Brockton, SMSA	59.0	58.5	57.8
8	Fall River, Ma. - R.I., SMSA	55.9	55.7	55.0
7	* Fitchburg-Leominster, SMSA	42.7	42.0	40.5
8	Lowell, LMA	90.2	89.5	85.2
7	Lawrence - Haverhill, Ma. - N.H., SMSA	116.7	114.2	114.9
8	New Bedford, LMA	67.9	66.1	65.0
7	* Pittsfield, LMA	52.4	51.4	51.2
5	Springfield - Chicopee - Holyoke, LMA	233.3	231.7	232.6
6	Worcester, LMA	158.5	157.6	158.1

NOTE: Current month estimate preliminary.
*: NOT CURRENTLY VALIDATED BY THE U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	THE LABOR FORCE			TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT			THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83
MASSACHUSETTS	3,018,900	3,036,200	2,935,900	2,899,300	2,883,000	2,744,300	119,600	153,200	191,600	4.0	5.0	6.5
MAJOR LABOR AREAS												
BOSTON SMSA	1,475,398	1,482,406	1,422,343	1,424,054	1,418,709	1,342,521	51,344	63,697	79,822	3.5	4.3	5.6
BROCKTON SMSA	82,170	82,879	80,635	78,397	78,150	74,323	3,773	4,729	6,312	4.6	5.7	7.8
FALL RIVER LMA	76,895	78,220	76,802	72,290	72,387	69,906	4,605	5,833	6,896	6.0	7.5	9.0
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL SMSA	147,422	146,690	146,164	139,726	138,519	135,867	7,696	8,171	10,297	5.2	5.6	7.0
LOWELL LMA	141,984	144,125	134,101	137,711	138,502	127,158	4,273	5,623	6,943	3.0	3.9	5.2
NEW BEDFORD LMA	86,549	87,822	82,837	81,682	81,022	75,392	4,867	6,800	7,445	5.6	7.7	9.0
SPRINGFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE LMA	286,534	289,661	284,444	274,175	273,211	264,574	12,359	16,450	19,870	4.3	5.7	7.0
WORCESTER LMA	189,339	191,141	192,298	182,064	181,854	177,880	7,275	9,287	14,418	3.8	4.9	7.5
OTHER LABOR AREAS												
ATTLEBORO LMA	49,772	50,427	48,997	47,216	47,198	44,845	2,556	3,229	4,152	5.1	6.4	8.5
ATHOL LMA	10,311	10,481	10,797	9,441	9,404	9,359	870	1,077	1,438	8.4	10.3	13.3
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	76,607	77,668	75,115	72,789	72,011	69,470	3,818	5,657	5,645	5.0	7.3	7.5
CLINTON LMA	9,961	9,725	9,626	9,475	9,144	8,801	486	581	825	4.9	6.0	8.6
DUKES COUNTY LMA	5,815	5,222	5,488	5,636	4,950	5,223	179	272	265	3.1	5.2	4.8
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER SMSA	51,312	51,354	49,362	49,248	48,689	45,222	2,064	2,665	4,140	4.0	5.2	8.4
GARDNER LMA	19,824	19,729	19,850	18,765	18,488	18,074	1,059	1,241	1,776	5.3	6.3	8.9
GLOUCESTER LMA	23,784	23,180	24,174	22,173	21,217	21,829	1,611	1,963	2,345	6.8	8.5	9.7
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	11,714	11,543	10,248	11,373	11,078	9,750	341	465	498	2.9	4.0	4.9
GREENFIELD LMA	27,968	28,495	27,560	26,839	26,934	25,780	1,129	1,561	1,780	4.0	5.5	6.5
MARLBOROUGH LMA	54,325	54,532	53,097	53,134	52,761	50,896	1,191	1,771	2,201	2.2	3.2	4.1
MILFORD LMA	26,337	26,176	22,585	25,408	24,930	20,824	929	1,246	1,761	3.5	4.8	7.8
NANTUCKET LMA	3,669	3,046	3,591	3,617	2,969	3,498	52	77	93	1.4	2.5	2.6
NEWBURYPORT LMA	21,761	21,735	20,625	20,795	20,547	19,322	966	1,188	1,303	4.4	5.5	6.3
PITTSFIELD LMA	66,693	67,362	64,195	63,464	62,808	59,375	3,229	4,554	4,820	4.8	6.8	7.5
PLYMOUTH LMA	39,134	38,363	37,534	37,448	36,052	34,746	1,686	2,311	2,788	4.3	6.0	7.4
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	15,689	14,413	15,403	14,897	13,485	14,103	792	928	1,300	5.0	6.4	8.4
TAUNTON LMA	25,854	26,413	25,972	24,472	24,431	23,360	1,382	1,982	2,612	5.3	7.5	10.1
WARE LMA	5,914	6,148	5,627	5,584	5,686	5,090	330	462	537	5.6	7.5	9.5

MASSACHUSETTS JOB MATCHING SERVICE DATA[2]

	MAY 1984	APR 1984	MAY 1983
AVAILABLE APPLICANTS	60,268	61,663	85,533
UNFILLED OPENINGS	12,370	30,811	18,692

1 - By place of residence
2 - ESARS(at end of period)

MASSACHUSETTS

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MAY 1984

Revised to 1st Qtr 1983 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	APR 84	MAY 83
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2741.1	2715.8	2684.9	25.3	56.2
Manufacturing	638.4	636.9	620.6	1.5	17.8
Durable Goods	421.7	421.4	405.4	0.3	16.3
Lumber & Furniture	11.4	11.5	11.6	-0.1	-0.2
Stone,Clay & Glass	12.1	11.9	11.3	0.2	0.8
Primary Metals	14.7	14.7	14.8	0.0	-0.1
Fabricated Metals	46.2	45.7	45.6	0.5	0.6
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	9.9	9.9	9.3	0.0	0.6
Machinery, except electrical	101.4	102.1	98.4	-0.7	3.0
Metalworking machinery	13.2	13.4	13.2	-0.2	0.0
Special industry machinery	12.1	12.3	12.8	-0.2	-0.7
* Office Computing, & Accounting Machines	54.7	54.7	50.1	0.0	4.6
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	119.8	119.6	110.4	0.2	9.4
Communications equipment	36.5	36.1	32.4	0.4	4.1
Electronic components	59.3	59.6	53.1	-0.3	6.2
Transportation equipment	40.0	39.5	34.2	0.5	5.8
Instruments	55.0	55.4	57.1	-0.4	-2.1
Measuring & Control devices	20.2	20.2	21.6	0.0	-1.4
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	21.1	21.0	22.0	0.1	-0.9
Jewelry	8.8	8.9	8.9	-0.1	-0.1
Nondurable Goods	216.7	215.5	215.2	1.2	1.5
Food & kindred products	22.8	22.3	22.9	0.5	-0.1
Textile mill products	19.8	19.9	20.1	-0.1	-0.3
Apparel	36.2	35.8	36.4	0.4	-0.2
Mens & Boys suits,coats & furnishings	9.3	9.3	9.8	0.0	0.5
Paper & allied products	26.0	26.1	25.7	-0.1	0.3
Printing & Publishing	48.6	48.6	46.6	0.0	2.0
Chemicals	16.5	16.4	16.2	0.1	0.3
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	29.1	29.0	29.6	0.1	-0.5
Miscellaneous Plastic products	21.7	21.7	22.4	0.0	-0.7
Leather & Leather products	16.1	16.0	16.0	0.1	0.1
Footwear, except rubber	8.5	8.5	8.5	0.0	0.0
* High Technology Industries	252.4	251.6	240.1	0.8	12.3
Mining	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	86.9	81.5	80.6	5.4	6.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	122.6	121.9	120.3	0.7	2.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	626.0	614.9	600.4	11.1	25.6
Wholesale Trade	141.4	140.6	135.9	0.8	5.5
Retail Trade	484.6	474.3	464.5	10.3	20.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	172.8	171.3	170.0	1.5	2.8
Banking	54.4	54.1	53.3	0.3	1.1
Services	722.7	718.1	715.4	4.6	7.3
Health Services	228.2	228.0	225.4	0.2	2.8
Educational Services	113.5	116.3	117.6	-2.8	-4.1
Government	370.6	370.1	376.5	0.5	-5.9
Federal	55.3	54.9	55.6	0.4	-0.3
U.S. Postal Service	21.1	21.0	20.9	0.1	0.2
State	96.1	96.0	96.9	0.1	-0.8
Educational services	30.1	30.5	31.7	-0.4	-1.6
Local	219.2	219.2	224.0	0.0	-4.8
Educational services	121.6	122.3	126.6	-0.7	-5.0

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.
* - Not currently validated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
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B O S T O N, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	MAY 1984 EMPLOYMENT (in thousands) MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	Revised to 1st Qtr 1983 Benchmark Net change to Current month from: APR 84	MAY 83
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1540.3	1529.3	1507.4	11.0	32.9
Manufacturing	290.6	289.1	281.5	1.5	9.1
Durable Goods	206.5	205.5	197.6	1.0	8.9
Primary Metals	3.2	3.2	3.4	0.0	-0.2
Fabricated Metals	17.9	17.8	17.9	0.1	0.0
Machinery, except electrical	44.1	44.2	44.1	-0.1	0.0
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	61.4	61.3	57.7	0.1	3.7
Transportation equipment	27.2	26.5	22.1	0.7	5.1
Instruments	42.1	42.0	41.9	0.1	0.2
Nondurable Goods	84.1	83.6	83.9	0.5	0.2
Food & kindred products	12.5	12.2	12.6	0.3	-0.1
Textile mill products	3.4	3.4	3.3	0.0	0.1
Apparel	10.5	10.3	10.9	0.2	-0.4
Paper & allied products	7.8	7.7	7.5	0.1	0.3
Printing & Publishing	27.9	28.1	26.3	-0.2	1.6
Chemicals	7.9	7.9	8.4	0.0	-0.5
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	8.7	8.6	9.0	0.1	-0.3
Leather & Leather products	4.6	4.6	5.0	0.0	-0.4
Mining	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1
Construction	43.7	41.1	43.4	2.6	0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	72.8	72.4	72.1	0.4	0.7
Wholesale & Retail trade	339.8	336.8	332.9	3.0	6.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	121.2	120.7	118.8	0.5	2.4
Banking	35.2	35.0	34.4	0.2	0.8
Insurance	37.2	37.0	37.6	0.2	-0.4
Services	486.0	483.5	472.1	2.5	13.9
Health Services	132.2	132.2	129.6	0.0	2.6
Educational Services	87.2	89.5	89.3	-2.3	-2.1
Government	185.7	185.3	186.2	0.4	-0.5
Federal	33.7	33.7	34.0	0.0	-0.3
U.S. Postal Service	12.0	12.0	12.1	0.0	-0.1
Federal Hospitals	4.9	4.9	4.8	0.0	0.1
State	45.5	45.5	45.5	0.0	0.0
State Hospitals	4.7	4.8	5.0	-0.1	-0.3
Educational services	8.8	9.0	8.9	-0.2	-0.1
Local	106.5	106.2	106.7	0.3	-0.2

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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Summer Jobs

The outlook for summer jobs in the private sector should be favorable this year. Low unemployment rates and an improved economy should provide temporary jobs for many jobseekers in such industries as services and manufacturing. On the other hand, Federal funding for Massachusetts' summer jobs program is down from last year.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	MAY 1984 EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Revised to 1st Qtr 1983 Benchmark Net change to Current month from:	
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	APR 84	MAY 83
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	233.3	231.7	232.6	1.6	0.7
Manufacturing	55.4	55.3	54.5	0.1	0.9
Durable Goods	28.3	28.5	28.3	-0.2	0.0
Fabricated Metals	7.6	7.6	7.6	0.0	0.0
Machinery, except electrical	6.8	6.9	6.8	-0.1	0.0
Nondurable Goods	27.1	26.8	26.2	0.3	0.9
Textile mill products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Apparel	2.2	2.2	2.4	0.0	-0.2
Paper & allied products	7.2	7.2	7.1	0.0	0.1
Printing & Publishing	5.6	5.6	5.6	0.0	0.0
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1
Construction	5.9	5.3	5.9	0.6	0.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	9.4	9.4	9.2	0.0	0.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	50.1	49.5	49.9	0.6	0.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	13.8	13.7	14.2	0.1	-0.4
Services	51.1	50.9	51.5	0.2	-0.4
Government	47.5	47.5	47.2	0.0	0.3
Federal	5.5	5.5	5.5	0.0	0.0
State	17.2	17.4	16.9	-0.2	0.3
Local	24.8	24.6	24.8	0.2	0.0

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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W O R C E S T E R, MASSACHUSETTS LMA

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	MAY 1984 EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Revised to 1st Qtr 1981 Benchmark Net change to Current month from:	
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	APR 84	MAY 83
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	158.5	157.6	158.1	0.9	0.4
Manufacturing	39.7	39.9	40.0	-0.2	-0.3
Durable Goods	26.9	27.1	27.4	-0.2	-0.5
Primary Metals	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Fabricated Metals	7.7	7.8	7.8	-0.1	-0.1
Machinery, except electrical	8.0	8.1	8.7	-0.1	-0.7
Nondurable Goods	12.8	12.8	12.6	0.0	0.2
Textile mill products	3.0	3.0	2.8	0.0	0.2
Leather & Leather products	1.3	1.3	1.4	0.0	-0.1
Mining	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.0
Construction	3.7	3.4	4.2	0.3	-0.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	6.7	6.7	7.2	0.0	-0.5
Wholesale & Retail trade	38.0	37.4	36.9	0.6	1.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	9.6	9.5	9.7	0.1	-0.1
Services	37.1	37.1	35.7	0.0	1.4
Government	23.1	23.1	23.8	0.0	-0.7

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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BY AREA, BY INDUSTRY

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MAY 1984 — Revised to 1st Qtr 1983 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	APR 84	MAY 83
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL, MASSACHUSETTS-NEW HAMPSHIRE SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	115.7	114.2	114.9	1.5	0.8
Manufacturing	42.6	42.3	41.5	0.3	1.1
Durable Goods	30.4	30.1	29.2	0.3	1.2
Nondurable Goods	12.2	12.2	12.3	0.0	-0.1
Leather & Leather products	2.7	2.8	2.9	-0.1	-0.2
Construction	3.4	3.1	3.1	0.3	0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	4.7	4.6	4.9	0.1	-0.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	22.8	22.5	23.2	0.3	-0.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.4	4.4	4.3	0.0	0.1
Services	20.9	20.6	20.9	0.3	0.0
Government	16.9	16.7	17.0	0.2	-0.1
LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	90.2	89.5	85.2	0.7	5.0
Manufacturing	37.1	36.9	33.5	0.2	3.6
Construction	2.2	2.0	2.5	0.2	-0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	18.1	17.8	17.7	0.3	0.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.5	2.5	2.4	0.0	0.1
Services	15.2	15.0	14.2	0.2	1.0
Government	12.1	12.3	11.9	-0.2	0.2
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	42.7	42.0	40.5	0.7	2.2
Manufacturing	16.5	16.3	15.9	0.2	0.6
Durable Goods	6.6	6.7	6.5	-0.1	0.1
Machinery, except electrical	3.6	3.7	3.6	-0.1	0.0
Nondurable Goods	9.9	9.6	9.4	0.3	0.5
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	4.1	3.9	3.9	0.2	0.2
Construction	1.4	1.3	1.4	0.1	0.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	9.5	9.5	8.4	0.0	1.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0
Services	6.7	6.4	6.7	0.3	0.0
Government	5.8	5.7	5.3	0.1	0.5
PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	52.4	51.4	51.2	1.0	1.2
Manufacturing	15.8	15.6	15.5	0.2	0.3
Machinery	9.4	9.4	9.1	0.0	0.3
Construction	1.8	1.6	1.5	0.2	0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.3	1.2	1.4	0.1	-0.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	12.6	12.3	11.8	0.3	0.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	0.0
Services	11.6	11.5	11.6	0.1	0.0
Government	6.9	6.8	7.0	0.1	-0.1

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MAY 1984 — Revised to 1st Qtr 1983 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	APR 84	MAY 83
BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	59.0	58.5	57.8	0.5	1.2
Manufacturing	10.7	10.8	11.0	-0.1	-0.3
Durable Goods	5.8	5.8	5.7	0.0	0.1
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	1.9	1.9	1.3	0.0	0.6
Nondurable Goods	4.9	5.0	5.3	-0.1	-0.4
Construction	2.5	2.3	2.1	0.2	0.4
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	4.2	4.1	3.7	0.1	0.5
Wholesale & Retail trade	16.9	16.8	15.9	0.1	1.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.1	2.1	2.2	0.0	-0.1
Services	11.5	11.4	11.4	0.1	0.1
Government	11.1	11.0	11.5	0.1	-0.4
Federal	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
State	2.8	2.8	3.1	0.0	-0.3
Local	5.8	5.7	5.9	0.1	-0.1
NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	67.9	66.1	65.0	1.8	2.9
Manufacturing	26.1	24.9	24.2	1.2	1.9
Durable Goods	9.1	8.3	8.9	0.8	0.2
Primary & Fabricated Metals	3.1	2.3	3.3	0.8	-0.2
Nondurable Goods	17.0	16.6	15.3	0.4	1.7
Apparel	8.9	8.8	8.1	0.1	0.8
Construction	2.5	2.3	1.9	0.2	0.6
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	2.3	2.4	2.3	-0.1	0.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	13.3	13.0	13.6	0.3	-0.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.2	2.2	2.2	0.0	0.0
Services	11.5	11.3	11.2	0.2	0.3
Government	10.0	10.0	9.6	0.0	0.4
FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS-RHODE ISLAND LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	55.9	55.7	55.0	0.2	0.9
Manufacturing	19.4	19.7	19.6	-0.3	-0.2
Textile mill products	4.4	4.5	4.5	-0.1	-0.1
Construction	2.0	1.7	1.9	0.3	0.1
Transportation, Communication & Pucic Utilities	1.9	2.0	1.7	-0.1	0.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	12.9	12.7	12.2	0.2	0.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.9	2.9	2.8	0.0	0.1
Services	10.2	10.1	10.0	0.1	0.2
Government	6.6	6.6	6.8	0.0	-0.2

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
ABINGTON TOWN	6,997	6,737	260	3.7
ACTON TOWN	9,871	9,628	243	2.5
ACUSHNET TOWN	4,846	4,661	185	3.8
ADAMS TOWN	5,224	4,973	251	4.8
AGAWAM TOWN	14,296	13,871	425	3.0
ALFORD TOWN	326	317	9	2.8
AMESBURY TOWN	7,336	6,963	373	5.1
AMHERST TOWN	16,642	16,035	607	3.6
ANDOVER TOWN	14,155	13,724	431	3.0
ARLINGTON CITY	27,609	26,932	677	2.5
ASHBURNHAM TOWN	1,953	1,823	130	6.7
ASHBY TOWN	1,061	985	76	7.2
ASHFIELD TOWN	786	751	35	4.5
ASHLAND TOWN	5,748	5,588	160	2.8
ATHOL TOWN	3,949	3,584	365	9.2
ATTLEBORO CITY	16,959	16,121	838	4.9
AUBURN TOWN	8,008	7,827	181	2.3
AVON TOWN	2,765	2,658	107	3.9
AYER TOWN	2,694	2,479	215	8.0
BARNSTABLE TOWN	16,305	16,108	797	4.7
BARRE TOWN	1,545	1,475	70	4.5
BECKET TOWN	623	606	17	2.7
BEDFORD TOWN	6,869	6,717	152	2.2
BELCHERTOWN TOWN	4,367	4,113	254	5.8
BELLINGHAM TOWN	7,340	7,023	317	4.3
BELMONT TOWN	14,161	13,831	330	2.3
BERKLEY TOWN	1,229	1,161	68	5.5
BERLIN TOWN	1,193	1,164	29	2.4
BERNARDSTON TOWN	901	869	32	3.6
BEVERLY CITY	20,898	20,219	679	3.2
BILLERICA TOWN	23,216	22,587	629	2.7
BLACKSTONE TOWN	2,924	2,777	147	5.0
BLANDFORD TOWN	388	360	28	7.2
BOLTON TOWN	1,851	1,817	34	1.8
BOSTON CITY	286,586	272,994	13,592	4.7
BOURNE TOWN	6,466	6,208	258	4.0
BOXBOROUGH TOWN	1,980	1,980	0	0.0
BOXFORD TOWN	2,658	2,610	48	1.8
BOYLSTON TOWN	1,931	1,882	49	2.5
BRAINTREE TOWN	19,487	18,774	713	3.7
BREWSTER TOWN	2,501	2,412	89	3.6
BRIDGEWATER TOWN	8,158	7,810	348	4.3
BRIMFIELD TOWN	1,185	1,132	53	4.5
BROCKTON CITY	45,435	43,006	2,429	5.3
BROOKFIELD TOWN	1,223	1,169	54	4.4
BROOKLINE TOWN	32,741	31,899	842	2.6
BUCKLAND TOWN	904	879	25	2.8
BURLINGTON TOWN	13,610	13,242	368	2.7
CAMBRIDGE CITY	54,863	52,970	1,893	3.5
CANTON TOWN	9,824	9,546	278	2.8
CARLISLE TOWN	1,791	1,720	71	4.0
CARVER TOWN	3,294	3,165	129	3.9
CHARLEMONT TOWN	578	543	35	6.1
CHARLTON TOWN	3,246	3,085	161	5.0
CHATHAM TOWN	2,941	2,872	69	2.3
CHELMSFORD TOWN	20,285	19,813	472	2.3
CHELSEA CITY	11,199	10,517	682	6.1
CHESHIRE TOWN	1,640	1,563	77	4.7
CHESTER TOWN	374	343	31	8.3
CHESTERFIELD TOWN	508	477	31	6.1
CHICOPEE CITY	28,944	27,648	1,296	4.5
CHILMARK TOWN	326	321	5	1.5
CLARKSBURG TOWN	1,031	974	57	5.5
CLINTON TOWN	6,717	6,368	349	5.2
COHASSET TOWN	3,659	3,548	111	3.0
COLRAIN TOWN	733	720	13	1.8
CONCORD TOWN	8,740	8,584	156	1.8
CONWAY TOWN	654	635	19	2.9
CUMMINGTON TOWN	244	229	15	6.1
DALTON TOWN	3,548	3,411	137	3.9
DANVERS TOWN	13,310	12,946	364	2.7
DARTMOUTH TOWN	12,719	12,170	549	4.3
DEDHAM TOWN	13,876	13,467	409	2.9
DEERFIELD TOWN	2,553	2,438	115	4.5
DENNIS TOWN	6,079	5,852	227	3.7
DIGHTON TOWN	2,688	2,537	151	5.6
DOUGLAS TOWN	1,778	1,707	71	4.0
DOVER TOWN	2,297	2,253	44	1.9
DRACUT TOWN	14,119	13,711	408	2.9
DUDLEY TOWN	4,038	3,873	165	4.1
DUNSTABLE TOWN	1,063	1,036	27	2.5
DUXBURY TOWN	5,616	5,419	197	3.5

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EAST BRIDGEWATER TOWN	4,919	4,696	223	4.5
EAST BROOKFIELD TOWN	932	899	33	3.5
EAST LONGMEADOW TOWN	6,665	6,355	310	4.7
EASTHAM TOWN	1,923	1,793	130	6.8
EASTHAMPTON TOWN	8,543	8,319	224	2.6
EASTON TOWN	8,655	8,449	206	2.4
EDGARTOWN TOWN	1,460	1,422	38	2.6
EGREMONT TOWN	1,165	1,133	32	2.7
ERVING TOWN	501	447	54	10.8
ESSEX TOWN	2,040	1,954	86	4.2
EVERETT CITY	18,750	17,757	993	5.3
FAIRHAVEN TOWN	7,897	7,523	374	4.7
FALL RIVER CITY	42,147	39,358	2,789	6.6
FALMOUTH TOWN	12,921	12,199	722	5.6
FITCHBURG CITY	20,000	18,978	1,022	5.1
FLORIDA TOWN	387	363	24	6.2
FOXBOROUGH TOWN	7,633	7,391	242	3.2
FRAMINGHAM TOWN	38,359	37,431	928	2.4
FRANKLIN TOWN	9,097	8,737	360	4.0
FREETOWN TOWN	3,689	3,522	167	4.5
GARDNER CITY	8,728	8,262	466	5.3
GAY HEAD TOWN	125	120	5	4.0
GEORGETOWN TOWN	3,064	2,969	95	3.1
GILL TOWN	683	654	29	4.2
GLOUCESTER CITY	18,010	16,755	1,255	7.0
GOSHEN TOWN	257	251	6	2.3
GOSNOLD TOWN	41	41	0	0.0
GRAFTON TOWN	6,012	5,855	157	2.6
GRANBY TOWN	2,856	2,721	135	4.7
GRANVILLE TOWN	600	577	23	3.8
GREAT BARRINGTON TOWN	5,706	5,517	189	3.3
GREENFIELD TOWN	9,158	8,707	451	4.9
GROTON TOWN	2,420	2,348	72	3.0
GROVELAND TOWN	2,839	2,722	117	4.1
HADLEY TOWN	2,426	2,369	57	2.3
HALIFAX TOWN	2,401	2,301	100	4.2
HAMILTON TOWN	3,714	3,640	74	2.0
HAMPDEN TOWN	2,372	2,292	80	3.4
HANCOCK TOWN	363	340	23	6.3
HANOVER TOWN	5,755	5,597	158	2.7
HANSON TOWN	4,168	3,916	252	6.0
HARDWICK TOWN	833	790	43	5.2
HARVARD TOWN	2,278	2,212	66	2.9
HARWICH TOWN	4,370	4,067	303	6.9
HATFIELD TOWN	1,722	1,651	71	4.1
HAVERHILL CITY	23,950	22,670	1,280	5.3
HAWLEY TOWN	136	129	7	5.1
HEATH TOWN	230	222	8	3.5
HINGHAM TOWN	10,227	9,834	393	3.8
HINSDALE TOWN	833	794	39	4.7
HOLBROOK TOWN	6,095	5,862	233	3.8
HOLDEN TOWN	6,892	6,694	198	2.9
HOLLAND TOWN	683	646	37	5.4
HOLLISTON TOWN	6,968	6,821	147	2.1
HOLYOKE CITY	19,713	18,626	1,087	5.5
HOPEDALE TOWN	2,598	2,480	118	4.5
HOPKINTON TOWN	5,262	5,151	111	2.1
HUBBARDSTON TOWN	857	809	48	5.6
HUDSON TOWN	12,777	12,503	274	2.1
HULL TOWN	4,639	4,353	286	6.2
HUNTINGTON TOWN	673	618	55	8.2
IPSWICH TOWN	6,868	6,584	284	4.1
KINGSTON TOWN	3,677	3,550	127	3.5
LAKEVILLE TOWN	2,972	2,843	129	4.3
LANCASTER TOWN	3,248	3,111	137	4.2
LANESBOROUGH TOWN	1,673	1,577	96	5.7
LAWRENCE CITY	30,274	28,349	1,925	6.4
LEE TOWN	3,195	3,038	157	4.9
LEICESTER TOWN	4,753	4,574	179	3.8
LENOX TOWN	3,472	3,332	140	4.0
LEOMINSTER CITY	17,902	17,279	623	3.5
LEVERETT TOWN	840	817	23	2.7
LEXINGTON TOWN	16,646	16,260	386	2.3
LEYDEN TOWN	274	259	15	5.5
LINCOLN TOWN	3,133	3,049	84	2.7
LITTLETON TOWN	2,867	2,763	104	3.6
LONGMEADOW TOWN	3,310	7,756	254	3.2
LOWELL CITY	55,761	53,696	2,065	3.7
LUDLOW TOWN	10,297	9,932	365	3.5
LUNENBURG TOWN	4,468	4,341	127	2.8
LYNN CITY	38,230	36,740	1,490	3.9
LYNNFIELD TOWN	5,852	5,721	131	2.2

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MALDEN CITY	27,751	26,711	1,040	3.7
MANCHESTER TOWN	2,750	2,683	67	2.4
MANSFIELD TOWN	5,342	5,162	180	3.4
MARBLEHEAD TOWN	11,076	10,716	360	3.3
MARION TOWN	1,940	1,808	132	6.8
MARLBOROUGH CITY	23,981	23,471	510	2.1
MARSHFIELD TOWN	10,769	10,355	414	3.8
MASHPEE TOWN	2,130	2,047	83	3.9
MATTAPOISETT TOWN	3,031	2,895	136	4.5
MAYNARD TOWN	7,274	7,065	209	2.9
MEDFIELD TOWN	5,172	5,062	110	2.1
MEDFORD CITY	30,476	29,402	1,074	3.5
MEDWAY TOWN	4,449	4,330	119	2.7
MELROSE CITY	15,946	15,461	485	3.0
MENDON TOWN	2,112	2,075	37	1.8
MERRIMAC TOWN	2,349	2,246	103	4.4
METHUEN TOWN	20,864	20,031	833	4.0
MIDDLEBOROUGH TOWN	8,277	7,916	361	4.4
MIDDLEFIELD TOWN	137	116	21	15.3
MIDDLETON TOWN	2,383	2,310	73	3.1
MILFORD TOWN	16,376	15,712	664	4.1
MILLBURY TOWN	5,951	5,656	295	5.0
MILLIS TOWN	3,663	3,562	101	2.8
MILLVILLE TOWN	764	717	47	6.2
MILTON TOWN	12,778	12,436	342	2.7
MONROE TOWN	77	71	6	7.8
MONSON TOWN	3,559	3,412	147	4.1
MONTAGUE TOWN	3,988	3,843	145	3.6
MONTEREY TOWN	718	703	15	2.1
MONTGOMERY TOWN	295	288	7	2.4
MOUNT WASHINGTON TOWN	98	96	2	2.0
NAHANT TOWN	2,112	2,062	50	2.4
NANTUCKET TOWN	3,669	3,618	51	1.4
NATICK TOWN	16,924	16,538	386	2.3
NEEDHAM TOWN	15,083	14,726	357	2.4
NEW ASHFORD TOWN	114	110	4	3.5
NEW BEDFORD CITY	47,917	44,771	3,146	6.6
NEW BRAINTREE TOWN	270	261	9	3.3
NEW MARLBOROUGH TOWN	933	906	27	2.9
NEW SALEM TOWN	276	256	20	7.2
NEWBURY TOWN	2,690	2,513	177	6.6
NEWBURYPORT CITY	9,684	9,230	454	4.7
NEWTON CITY	47,212	46,030	1,182	2.5
NORFOLK TOWN	2,812	2,740	72	2.6
NORTH ADAMS TOWN	8,789	8,214	575	6.5
NORTH ANDOVER TOWN	10,715	10,367	348	3.2
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN	10,366	9,889	477	4.6
NORTH BROOKFIELD TOWN	1,949	1,898	51	2.6
NORTH READING TOWN	6,412	6,233	179	2.8
NORTHAMPTON CITY	15,336	14,755	581	3.8
NORTHBOROUGH TOWN	5,496	5,392	104	1.9
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN	6,080	5,833	247	4.1
NORTHFIELD TOWN	1,239	1,194	45	3.6
NORTON TOWN	6,251	5,906	345	5.5
NORWELL TOWN	4,630	4,536	94	2.0
NORWOOD TOWN	16,961	16,506	455	2.7
OAK BLUFFS TOWN	1,129	1,075	54	4.8
OAKHAM TOWN	383	361	22	5.7
ORANGE TOWN	2,366	2,163	203	8.6
ORLEANS TOWN	2,604	2,508	96	3.7
OTIS TOWN	457	438	19	4.2
OXFORD TOWN	5,768	5,469	299	5.2
PALMER TOWN	6,148	5,967	181	2.9
PAXTON TOWN	1,986	1,960	26	1.3
PEABODY CITY	25,326	24,371	955	3.8
PELHAM TOWN	626	605	21	3.4
PEMBROKE TOWN	6,739	6,417	322	4.8
PEPPERELL TOWN	2,960	2,814	146	4.9
PERU TOWN	317	303	14	4.4
PETERSHAM TOWN	398	383	15	3.8
PHILLIPSTON TOWN	377	347	30	8.0
PITTSFIELD CITY	26,670	25,242	1,428	5.4
PLAINFIELD TOWN	149	132	17	11.4
PLAINVILLE TOWN	2,876	2,740	136	4.7
PLYMOUTH TOWN	18,156	17,447	709	3.9
PLYMPTON TOWN	1,048	1,010	38	3.6
PRINCETON TOWN	1,242	1,200	42	3.4
PROVINCETOWN TOWN	2,379	2,019	360	15.1
QUINCY CITY	46,048	44,445	1,603	3.5

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RANDOLPH TOWN	15,633	15,105	528	3.4
RAYNHAM TOWN	4,245	4,064	181	4.3
READING TOWN	12,663	12,351	312	2.5
REHOBOTH TOWN	3,584	3,395	189	5.3
REVERE CITY	21,731	20,597	1,134	5.2
RICHMOND TOWN	892	872	20	2.2
ROCHESTER TOWN	1,588	1,524	64	4.0
ROCKLAND TOWN	7,884	7,468	416	5.3
ROCKPORT TOWN	3,741	3,473	268	7.2
ROWE TOWN	142	142	0	0.0
ROWLEY TOWN	2,561	2,477	84	3.3
ROYALSTON TOWN	377	333	44	11.7
RUSSELL TOWN	775	749	26	3.4
RUTLAND TOWN	2,105	2,043	62	2.9
SALEM CITY	20,585	19,863	722	3.5
SALISBURY TOWN	3,043	2,874	169	5.6
SANDISFIELD TOWN	500	486	14	2.8
SANDWICH TOWN	4,789	4,624	165	3.4
SAUGUS TOWN	13,406	13,003	403	3.0
SAVOY TOWN	308	282	26	8.4
SCITUATE TOWN	9,964	9,664	300	3.3
SEEKONK TOWN	6,026	5,692	334	5.5
SHARON TOWN	7,445	7,201	244	3.3
SHEFFIELD TOWN	2,278	2,220	58	2.5
SHELBURNE TOWN	909	878	31	3.4
SHERBORN TOWN	1,980	1,960	20	1.0
SHIRLEY TOWN	2,575	2,448	127	4.9
SHREWSBURY TOWN	12,127	11,764	363	3.0
SHUTESBURY TOWN	605	585	20	3.3
SOMERSET TOWN	9,818	9,341	477	4.9
SOMERVILLE CITY	41,916	40,299	1,617	3.9
SOUTH HADLEY TOWN	9,131	8,811	320	3.5
SOUTHAMPTON TOWN	2,287	2,205	82	3.6
SOUTHBOROUGH TOWN	4,591	4,496	95	2.1
SOUTHBRIDGE TOWN	7,083	6,716	367	5.2
SOUTHWICK TOWN	3,972	3,807	165	4.2
SPENCER TOWN	5,203	5,023	180	3.5
SPRINGFIELD CITY	71,153	67,120	4,033	5.7
STERLING TOWN	2,783	2,729	54	1.9
STOCKBRIDGE TOWN	1,328	1,296	32	2.4
STONEHAM TOWN	11,695	11,418	277	2.4
STOUGHTON TOWN	14,375	13,793	582	4.0
STOW TOWN	3,868	3,805	63	1.6
STURBRIDGE TOWN	2,730	2,526	204	7.5
SUDBURY TOWN	7,291	7,121	170	2.3
SUNDERLAND TOWN	1,834	1,779	55	3.0
SUTTON TOWN	2,837	2,701	136	4.8
SWAMPSCOTT TOWN	7,381	7,195	186	2.5
SWANSEA TOWN	7,755	7,398	357	4.6
TAUNTON CITY	20,402	19,258	1,144	5.6
TEMPLETON TOWN	2,741	2,621	120	4.4
TEWKSBURY TOWN	15,426	15,001	425	2.8
TISBURY TOWN	2,017	1,945	72	3.6
TOLLAND TOWN	99	86	13	13.1
TOPSFIELD TOWN	2,892	2,836	56	1.9
TOWNSEND TOWN	3,680	3,579	101	2.7
TRURO TOWN	742	644	98	13.2
TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN	3,771	3,688	83	2.2
TYRINGHAM TOWN	212	208	4	1.9
UPTON TOWN	1,994	1,946	48	2.4
UXBRIDGE TOWN	4,195	3,962	233	5.6
WAKEFIELD TOWN	13,714	13,251	463	3.4
WALES TOWN	556	509	47	8.5
WALPOLE TOWN	9,911	9,635	276	2.8
WALTHAM CITY	33,101	32,222	879	2.7
WARE TOWN	3,330	3,116	214	6.4
WAREHAM TOWN	8,378	7,926	452	5.4
WARREN TOWN	1,786	1,731	55	3.1
WARWICK TOWN	208	190	18	8.7
WASHINGTON TOWN	298	281	17	5.7
WATERTOWN TOWN	20,322	19,796	526	2.6
WAYLAND TOWN	6,753	6,618	135	2.0
WEBSTER TOWN	6,824	6,578	246	5.0
WELLESLEY TOWN	14,009	13,641	368	2.6
WELLFLEET TOWN	1,100	1,014	86	7.8
WENDELL TOWN	321	268	53	16.5
WENHAM TOWN	2,021	1,984	37	1.8
WEST BOYLSTON TOWN	3,214	3,122	92	2.9
WEST BRIDGEWATER TOWN	3,129	2,995	134	4.3

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WEST BROOKFIELD TOWN	1,102	1,058	44	4.0
WEST NEWBURY TOWN	1,508	1,416	92	6.1
WEST SPRINGFIELD TOWN	15,085	14,628	457	3.0
WEST STOCKBRIDGE TOWN	668	642	26	3.9
WEST TISBURY TOWN	722	716	6	0.8
WESTBOROUGH TOWN	7,591	7,384	207	2.7
WESTFIELD CITY	18,482	17,644	838	4.5
WESTFORD TOWN	8,415	8,236	179	2.1
WESTHAMPTON TOWN	625	613	12	1.9
WESTMINSTER TOWN	2,699	2,644	55	2.0
WESTON TOWN	5,737	5,683	54	0.9
WESTPORT TOWN	6,713	6,309	404	6.0
WESTWOOD TOWN	7,027	6,902	125	1.8
WEYMOUTH TOWN	30,293	29,155	1,138	3.8
WHATELY TOWN	764	736	28	3.7
WHITMAN TOWN	6,715	6,515	200	3.0
WILBRAHAM TOWN	6,396	6,176	220	3.4
WILLIAMSBURG TOWN	1,260	1,198	62	4.9
WILLIAMSTOWN TOWN	4,424	4,324	100	2.3
WILMINGTON TOWN	9,110	8,791	319	3.5
WINCHENDON TOWN	3,168	2,992	176	5.6
WINCHESTER TOWN	10,859	10,628	231	2.1
WINDSOR TOWN	318	311	7	2.2
WINTHROP TOWN	10,810	10,424	386	3.6
WOBURN CITY	20,865	20,396	469	2.2
WORCESTER CITY	77,255	73,826	3,429	4.4
WORTHINGTON TOWN	353	331	22	6.2
WRENTHAM TOWN	3,338	3,225	113	3.4
YARMOUTH TOWN	8,816	8,453	363	4.1

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83	MAY 84	APR 84	MAY 83
MASSACHUSETTS	6,024	9,295	8,543	50,502	64,130	76,236
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON SMSA	2,297	3,163	2,829	21,493	26,132	30,940
BROCKTON SMSA	173	295	298	1,531	1,872	2,351
FALL RIVER LMA[3]	527	814	685	2,992	3,405	3,244
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL SMSA[4]	428	443	450	3,091	3,310	3,674
LOWELL LMA	171	325	278	1,591	2,039	2,658
NEW BEDFORD LMA	384	787	515	2,640	3,738	3,206
SPRINFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE LMA	508	871	1,007	5,181	6,702	7,468
WORCESTER LMA	437	623	675	2,874	3,689	5,671
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
ATHOL LMA	58	72	73	423	460	624
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	90	220	143	1,463	2,616	1,961
CLINTON LMA	23	39	39	217	227	325
DUKES COUNTY LMA	3	10	6	71	127	89
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER LMA	108	175	230	804	1,061	1,721
GARDNER LMA	69	83	88	486	501	744
GLOUCESTER LMA	136	123	240	780	967	985
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	11	21	10	130	196	187
GREENFIELD LMA	47	73	58	455	687	695
MARLBOROUGH LMA	30	88	54	307	445	679
MILFORD LMA	36	76	70	342	430	676
NANTUCKET LMA	1	3	2	19	35	24
NEWBURYPORT LMA	45	91	84	464	526	541
PITTSFIELD LMA	143	338	161	1,395	2,123	1,881
PLYMOUTH LMA	74	152	123	660	958	993
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	78	70	57	329	411	485
TAUNTON LMA	94	171	219	743	1,043	1,070
WARE LMA	13	27	35	141	213	221

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of LMA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of SMSA

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EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment. Includes all workers who worked full or part-time or who received vacation pay, holiday pay or sick leave pay directly from the employer or the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded are workers in most agricultural industries as well as those in forestry, fisheries and international government. Also excluded are self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households.

Benchmark. A reasonably complete count of employment at a specified period of time, usually the first quarter of the year. The principal source of benchmark data for the CES Program are tabulations of employment reported by establishments covered by the Massachusetts Employment Security Law and by Federal government agencies covered by Federal U.I. Law. These principal sources are supplemented for those nonagricultural jobs not covered by U.I. (e.g., religious, students employed by the institution attended).

Establishment. An establishment is an economic unit which produces goods or services, generally at a single physical location, and is engaged in only one type of activity.

Labor Force. The sum of the employed and unemployed living in the area (total employment plus total unemployment).

Total Employment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did any work at all, in any area, for pay or profit during the week of the month including the 12th or who had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute or other reasons which does not reflect a shortage of work.

Total Unemployment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did no work at all, in any area, during the week of the month including the 12th but who were looking for work or awaiting recall from layoff or beginning a new job within the next 30 days.

Unemployment Rate. Unemployment expressed as a percent of the labor force.